

Amendments to the Drawings

The attached replacement sheets of drawings include changes to Figs. 1-3 and replace the original sheets including Figs. 1-3.

In Fig. 1, the two (2) pages are labeled as FIG. 1A and FIG. 1B (rather than as "FIG. 1" and "FIG 1 (continued)", respectively).

In Fig. 2, the five (5) pages are labeled as FIG. 2A, FIG. 2B, FIG. 2C, FIG. 2D, and FIG. 2E (rather than as "FIG. 2", "FIG. 2 (continued)", "FIG. 2 (continued)", "FIG. 2 (continued)", and "FIG. 2 (continued)", respectively).

In Fig. 3, the term "FIG. 3" is added to the figure.

Attachments following last page of this Amendment:

Replacement Sheets (7 pages)

Annotated Sheets Showing Change(s) (7 pages)

### REMARKS

In the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification dated February 26, 2007, the Examiner has requested that Figs. 1 and 2 be conformed to the Brief Description of the Drawings in the application. Applicant encloses herewith appropriately amended Figs. 1 and 2. Amended Fig. 2 also contains the amendment to the *mtbn2* sequence made in the Response to Communication filed April 16, 2003.

In addition, Applicants submit herewith an amended Fig. 3. The amendment to Fig. 3 made herein serves to add the label "FIG. 3" to the figure. In the Fig. 3 filed on November 2, 2001, Fig. 3 contained no label. Nevertheless, because of the references to Fig. 3 in the application (e.g., page 10, lines 1-5, and page 14, line 27) and the relevant figure being the only unlabeled figure, it would have been clear to one skilled in the art that the unlabeled figure was in fact Fig. 3. Moreover, from the description of Fig. 3 in the Brief Description of the Drawings (page 10, lines 1-5) and relevant experimental description (Example 1), it would have been clear that the unlabeled figure was Fig. 3. Furthermore, the figure was appropriately labeled as "Figure 3" in the priority document of the instant application (U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/132,505). Amended Fig. 3 enclosed herewith also contains the amendment made to it in the Response to Communication filed April 16, 2003, in the instant application.

No new matter is added by any of the amendments made herein.

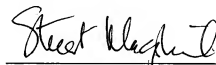
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